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HERSETH SANDLIN ANNOUNCES \$22,108 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Washington, DC {September 21, 2009}- Today, Rep. Herseth Sandlin announced \$22,108 in grant funding for the Oglala Sioux Tribe Department of Public Safety. Authorized under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) and administered by the U.S. Department of Justice, this funding will assist the tribe in purchasing updated computers to ensure accurate communication with officers and enable officers to complete their reports in a timely manner.

Rep. Herseth Sandlin said. "With these resources, the Oglala Sioux Tribe Department of Public Safety will have more tools to increase efficiency and successfully address crime."

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) allows states and units of local governments, including tribes, to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on state and local needs and conditions. Grant funds can be used for state and local initiatives, including: law enforcement programs; prosecution and court programs; prevention and education programs; corrections and community corrections programs; drug treatment and enforcement programs; planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs; and crime victim and witness programs.

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